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A STRAW FORECAST.

Straw votes do not always show
which way the wind blows. But even
though they don't, they still are in-
teresting; perchance valuable in that
they give off indications such as to
spur campaign managers to fresh ac-
tivities and inspire candidates to per-
sist or withdraw. It was no excep-
tion of influencing the senatorial
campaign that induced Editor Harri-
son of the Baylor County Banner to
take a straw vote from the Texas
newspaper persons on the recent
press excursion between El Paso and
Cloudcroft. The request was that the
voters should state their beliefs rather
than their personal sentiments—in
other words, it was not to be an ex-
hibition of editorial preferences, but
of editorial predictions as regards the
outcome of the preliminary senatorial
primary. Printed cards were passed
throughout the train, with the explana-
tion that each participant should
state what his conviction was as to the
comparative positions of the candi-
dates named on the cards. Responses
were taken up from 157 editors, after
sufficient time for due consideration,
with the result: Brooks was given
first place by 50 editors, Culberson
by 44, Colquitt by 32, Campbell by 27,
Henry by four. Brooks was given
second place by 46, Culberson by 34,
Colquitt by 34, Campbell by 26, Henry
by 17. Judge Riddle was assigned a
place in the running by several, but
not around the top. The editors who
participated in this symposium of
opinion represented every quarter of
Texas, and the result of their com-
bined judgment is interesting—but not
final. The election should be held as
called, notwithstanding the editors
have already skimmed the cream off
the returns.—State Press.

The editor of The Eagle was pres-
ent when the vote referred to was
taken, and knows that it was a fair
square proposition. When the cards
were distributed they were thor-
oughly explained and each editor was
told to vote his judgment and not his
sentiment in the senatorial race. That is,
vote as to how he believed it would
go, and not as to how he wanted it
to go. The result is beyond question
the consensus of opinion of the press
of the state, expressed by editors from
every section who are supposed to
have their fingers on the public pulse.

It is estimated that 100,000,000 pairs
of hosiery are wasted annually in the
United States for the lack of a little
darning. Lord give us more sock-darn-
ers, baby spankers and chicken-fryers,
and fewer suffrage-seekers, hammock-
swingers and gum-chewers.—Houston
Post.

Amen!

No one has yet come across with an
explanation of The Eagle's query as
to how Texas can share in any rural
credits law that has as a basis for
credits the mortgaging of the home.
Not only that, but no candidate has
had the nerve to say he favored the
repeal of the homestead law so as
to make it possible for Texas homes
to be mortgaged. The people of
Texas should be alert and if any can-
didate for the legislature, congress or
any State office favors such repeal,
let him have it where the chicken got
the axe.

The Russian drive, called by some
the Russian juggernaut, is pressing
hard on Austria. The retreat of the
great Russian army which began with
nearly a million men, has steadily
dwindled by capture and other losses
until there is now hardly more than
half a million. With Russia and Italy
both at her throat, Austria will scarce-
ly be able to withstand the terrible
ordeal and unless Germany again
comes forward with a fresh army, the
finish of Austria is in sight.

The nominations are over, now let
the note to Carranza slide.

It was Wilson and Marshall on the
first ballot.

BUILDING A SHIP EVERY DAY.

United States yards are building a
new ship every day. It is a record
never before equaled in our country,
and is the sequel to our stupendous
exports at a time when world com-
merce is upset by a world war.

There are now building or under
construction 368 steel vessels, the ag-
gregate of whose tonnage exceeds 1-
129,000. Ships bearing the Stars and
Stripes have more than doubled since
the war began, and the increase is
still going on at high tide. Prior to
August, 1914, less than a tenth of
America's foreign commerce was car-
ried in American ships, but at the
present rate of building new ones the
period following the war will see a
totally different story. The business
of transporting over \$5,000,000,000 of
exports and imports is a trade worth
going after and keeping after we get
it.—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

The Eagle's correspondent from Ta-
bor, in commenting on crop conditions
in that locality, says it is to be hoped
the farmers this fall will be able to
haul corn to Bryan instead of having
to haul corn out of Bryan. This is
indeed a consummation devoutly to
be wished and when this and many
other prevailing conditions are re-
versed, the country will see prosperity
and not before.

WIT AND HUMOR.

Optical Illusion.

Jones, beautifully drunk, wiggled
his way up the street wherein he lived,
with a dignified yet hostile glare in his
eyes. As he approached his home he
braced himself and his gait was be-
coming noticeably staid, when all of
a sudden he plunged headward and
fell, striking his nose against a
barber's pole.

As they raised him off the ground
he managed to articulate:

"Whazzat woman with striped stock-
ings got against me?"—San Francisco
Star.

Obeyed Orders.

The class was seated ready for rec-
itation, when a young student rushed
in and dropped a great pile of books
on the floor. The nervous professor
jumped and said angrily:

"Young man, go down to the pres-
ident's office and drop those books
just like that."

The youth departed, returning in a
few moments and calmly taking his
seat in the class.

"Did you do as I told you to?" de-
manded the irate professor.

"Yes, sir."

"What did the president say?"

"Nothing," coolly returned the stu-
dent. "He wasn't there."—Ladies'
Home Journal.

Expected Too Much.

An official of the department of
agriculture said at a dinner in Wash-
ington:

"The farm, with its automobile and
phonograph and telephone, is gay
enough now. The dull and even dreary
farm life of the past has disappeared.

"The farm life of the past!"

"One divine spring morning in the
past a farm boy rushed to his farmer
daddy and said:

"Oh, pop, the circus comes to town
today! Will ye gimme a dime to go
to see her?"

"'Certainly not!' roared the farmer.
'A dime to go to see the circus, when
only last winter I let you go up to the
top of Jones' hill to see the eclipse of
the moon! Do you think, you young
dog, that life is one perpetual round
of pleasure?'—Washington Star.

The Supreme Test.

"Brudder Jackson," said the colored
preacher to a parishoner, "yo' wife
done tell me she got religion and
wants to jine de church."

"Yas, suh, dat's so," replied the
husband.

"Well, brudder," suggested the
preacher, "Ise gwine to put her pro-
testashums to a test—de nex' time it
rains. Brudder Jackson, you let your
dwag get good an' wet and den let
the dawg in yo' parlor and den you
tell me what yo' wife says. Den I
will know whether Sis' Jackson should
cum into de fold or not."—Ex.

Why It Was Safer.

A boy was visiting another boy, and
as they were going to bed the little
host knelt to say his prayers.

"I never say my prayers when I am
home," said the visitor.

"That's all right," said the other
boy. "You better say them here. This
is a folding bed."—Ex.

ONE OF NATURE'S FREAKS.

We have run across many strange
freaks in nature, but an entirely new
one was sprung on us yesterday af-
ternoon in the form of a four-legged
chicken. This baby chick had four
complete legs, each as large as the
ordinary leg of a chicken when it
first appears as a living creature. Two
of the legs were in the ordinary posi-
tions; one was slightly between these

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and turned upward along the breast;
the fourth protruded from near one
wing and ran up along the back. The
chicken, which was of the Rhode Is-
land Red stock, was normal in every
other respect and seemed to be in
a perfectly healthy state.

Mrs. Fred Cargill of Harvey, Texas,
who is the owner of the chicken, re-
ports that it came from an egg seem-
ingly like all the others. This one,
however, evidently possessed an
abundance of those properties which
produce the running equipment of a
chicken.

Those who eat chicken's feet to in-
crease their beauty should endeavor
to purchase this four-legged fowl from
Mrs. Cargill for that purpose.

THE CITY SCHOOLS.

Principal George Simpson is taking
graduate courses in the University of
Missouri, of which he is a graduate,
this summer. A good state university
is hard to beat.

Sangster Bizzell, George Gammill,
Lonnie Locke and Clifford Mitchell
each made hundreds on every exami-
nation on ninth grade mathematics
under Mr. Reese the past year.

Dan DeMaret's average for the year
on tenth grade mathematics was 99.
In Mr. Reese's section of the tenth
grade, Edwin Crenshaw stood second
with an average of 96 for the year
on that subject.

Fifteen boys and twelve girls took
the year's course in agriculture un-
der Mr. Reese. Thirteen boys and ten
girls met the requirements and passed
the course. Cecil Broach, with a
year's average of 96, led the class,
while the second place was taken by
Ora Conway and Sangster Bizzell,
each of whom averaged 94 for the
year on that subject.

Twenty-three pupils took the year's
course in physics under Mr. Simpson
and 21 passed the work. Roger Mc-
Gee led the class, making 100 on each
examination, thus averaging 100 for
the year. Considering the rigid re-
quirements of a laboratory course in
physics, that was quite a feat.

Vivienne Howell and Marjorie Wag-
ner each made hundreds on every
eighth grade algebra examination this
year. Each, therefore, has an average
of 100 for the year on algebra records
filed in the office. Louise Cline and
Mattie Mike come next with year's
averages of 99 on eighth grade alge-
bra.

Other pupils who made remarkable
grades on eighth grade algebra and
are entitled to mention for their splen-
did records are as follows: Neville
Higgs, Irma Peters, Seleta Sanders,
May Sowerby, Will Gibbs, Chester
Higgs and Ross Priddy.

Those who completed our two-year

course in German and will therefore
receive two years' entrance credit in
any standard institution, made records
for the year on that language as fol-
lows: Ora Conway, 88; Regina Hart,

93; Rosie Hart, 97; Ruth Ponder, 70;
Edel Thomsen, 72; Amelia Wittman,
94.

Kathleen Sims, with a year's av-
erage of 96, led the tenth grade Latin

class, while Roger McGee came sec-
ond with a grade of 95. Beas Spence,
Audrey Wagner, Ethel Hall, Sarah
Williams and Rosie Hart followed
close in the order mentioned.

In Miss Weddington's second year
Latin class, pupils who averaged 90
or more for the year were as follows:
Clara Allen, 92; Cecil Broach, 95;
Maude Brown, 90; Annabelle Smith,
93; Phocion Park, 92.

In Miss Weddington's first year
Latin class pupils who averaged 90
or more for the year were as follows:
Louise Cline, 94; Neville Higgs, 92;
Vivienne Howell, 99; Mattie Mike, 97;
Irma Peters, 97; Seleta Sanders, 97;
Marjorie Wagner, 99.

W. C. LAWSON
Superintendent City Schools

EDITOR TURNER HERE.

Editor W. L. Turner of the Madison-
ville Meteor and N. Y. Wycough, also
of Madisonville, were in Bryan for a
short while today, making the trip
over by automobile. Editor Turner
was a pleasant caller at The Eagle
office and says that during this week
he has made trips through Madison,
Walker, Grimes, Leon and Brazos
counties and everywhere the crops
are looking fine. He expects the larg-
est crops made in several years, bar-
ring destruction of the cotton by boll
weevils, which are already making
themselves felt.



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